

***THE OLMSTEAD INITIATIVE***  
**Community Integration Oversight Advisory Committee**  
**INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:**  
**AUGUST 3 - SEPTEMBER 5, 2005**

Dear Community Integration Stakeholder:

*The Olmstead Initiative's* Oversight Advisory Committee invites your comments regarding community integration initiatives in Virginia for the coming year. The Committee, established under Governor Warner's Executive Order (EO) 61 (2004) and continued under EO 84 (2005), consists of 20 disability stakeholders, the majority of whom are people with disabilities and family members of people with disabilities. The Committee has met regularly this year to update and prioritize recommendations in the September 15, 2003, Olmstead Task Force Report and is now beginning to draft its 2005 Report to the Governor.

**To assist with this Report, the Committee requests your comments on the two attached drafts *no later than September 5, 2005*:**

***1) Priorities:*** The Committee has adopted five (5) top priorities and is considering presenting these five and nine (9) additional recommendations in its October 2005 report to Governor Warner. These 14 recommendations are those the Committee believes are most essential to support adequate and appropriate infrastructure of community-based services, and are needed either to move people from institutions to the community or to prevent unnecessary or unwanted institutionalization. Please comment on these priorities.

***EO 84 Recommendations:*** The Committee will also include in its Report six recommendations specifically requested in EO 84. State agencies have submitted the attached recommendations to the Committee for its consideration. Please comment on these recommendations.

You may comment:

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